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STATE OF MONTANA,) Cause No. DC-7-2019-0000824-IN
Plaintiff,) Cascade County District Court
-VS-)
) Montana Eighth Judicial District
EMILIO EMMANUEL RENOVA, SR,)
,) DECISION
)
Defendant.)

On July 26, 2022, the Court sentenced the defendant to One Hundred (100) years to the Montana State Prison, with no eligibility for parole, for the offense of <u>Count I</u>: Deliberate Homicide, a felony, in violation of §45-5-102 (I)(b), MCA. The Court granted 980 days of credit for time served. The Court dismissed Counts II –V.

On August 3, 2023, the Defendant's Application for review of that sentence came on for hearing by Zoom videoconference before the Sentence Review Division of the Montana Supreme Court (hereafter "the Division"). The Defendant appeared from the Montana State Prison and was represented by Tyler Dugger, Defense Counsel. The State was represented by Kory Larsen. The Defendant gave a statement.

Before hearing the Application, the Defendant was advised that the Division has the authority not only to reduce the sentence or affirm it, but also increase it. The Defendant was further advised that there is no appeal from a decision of the Division. The Defendant acknowledged that he understood this and stated that he wished to proceed.

Rule 12, Rules of the Sentence Review Division of the Supreme Court of Montana, provides that, "The sentence imposed by the District Court is presumed correct. The sentence shall not be reduced or increased unless it is clearly inadequate or clearly excessive." Section 46-18-904(3), MCA.

The Division finds that the reasons advanced for modification are insufficient to hold that the sentence imposed by the District Court is clearly inadequate or clearly excessive.

Therefore, it is the unanimous decision of the Division that the sentence is AFFIRMED.

DATED this ______day of August, 2023.

SENTENCE REVIEW DIVISION

Hon. Dan Wilson, Chair

Hon. Luke Berger, Member

Hon. Jessica Fehr, Member

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